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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
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Attention: Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau

Subject: Dockets WT 02-378 and PS 06-229
Region 20 - 700 MHz Regional Plan

Dear Chief Poarch:

Kent County is a member of Regional Planning Committee 20 and through this letter; we offer our support for the Commission's action to approve the 700 MHz Plan for Region 20. We believe that it is very important for the Commission to act quickly on this Plan as it covers our nation's capital as well as many other important areas containing critical national and private infrastructure in addition to major communities with residential population and domestic as well as international centers of tourism.

We also recognize that there are Region 20 counties now planning to implement systems in 700 MHz to further first responder and homeland security communications interoperability in the National Capital Region. Unfortunately our Region has already been the target of one terrorist attack and our first responders understand experientially the importance of public safety communications interoperability. The Commission's approval of the Region 20 Plan will be an important communications element in our ability to meet the needs of our first responders.

Respectfully we would ask the Commission to issue an Order approving the Region 20 Plan for 700 MHz as soon as appropriate under the rules.

Sincerely,

Gregg Bird
Deputy Director